

Howland Wood - Curatorial

B Borum, Charles, Jr.  
[Norfolk, VA]

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CHARLES BORUM, JR.,  
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AGENT.

NORFOLK, VA., November 26th, 1920.

The American Numismatic Society,

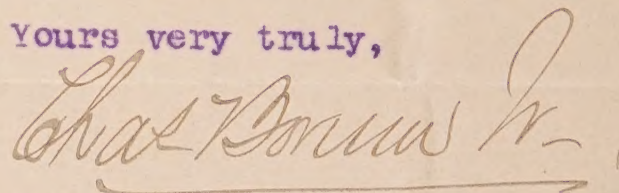
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen-

Having recently become a member of The American Numismatic Society and not being familiar with its functions, beg to ask if identifying coins is a part of the Society's work and if it is, the charge for this service?

I have several ancient coins which are unclassified and about which I would like to get some information.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Chas Borum Jr.", written in dark ink. The signature is fluid and elegant, with a long, sweeping underline that extends across the width of the signature.

205 Monticello Arcade Building,

Norfolk, Va.



CHARLES BORUM, JR.,  
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AGENT.  
NORFOLK, VA.,

March 29th, 1921.

The American Numismatic Society,  
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen-

As per letter of November 27th, 1920, signed Arthur C. Wyman, Assistant to Curator, I am taking the liberty of sending you under separate cover some old coins, a part of an accumulation of years, which I am unable to classify. Any information you may be able to give me will be appreciated, tho I have an idea that the majority of them are too badly worn to be identified and are only junk.

Am enclosing fifteen cents in stamps for return postage.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,

*Charles Borum Jr.*

205 Monticello Arcade Building,

Norfolk, Va.

*Parcel post insured  
4/3/21  
Rush*

CHARLES BORUM, JR.,  
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AGENT.  
NORFOLK, VA.,

January 14th, 1922.

The American Numismatic Society,  
New York, N. Y.

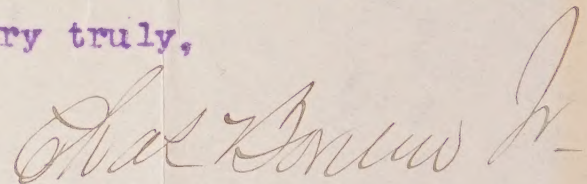
Gentlemen-

I have a very handsome French silver medal inscribed "Ville  
de Versailles Conseil Municipal Soiree du 10 Mars 1883 Melle Arma  
Harkness."

Can you tell me who Melle Arma Harkness was and what the  
occasion of presentation of the medal?

Any information you may give will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,



204 West Freemason street,

Norfolk, Va.



# 196  
Bronze Foch  
Medal

CHARLES BORUM, JR.,  
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AGENT.  
NORFOLK, VA.,

January 20th, 1922.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,  
Secretary Am. Mus. Society,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir-

Enclosed find money order for five dollars for which please send me the Foch medal as per your letter of January 16th. You did not mention the price but I assume that five dollars is the correct amount for it.

I have accumulated a dozen to twenty-five Roman, Byzantine, Bactrian and Arabic coins which I am unable to identify. Can you assist me?

Yours very truly,

Enclosure.

*Charles Borum Jr.*

January 24th, 1922

Charles Borum, Jr. Esq.  
205 Monticello Arcade Building  
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Mr. Borum:

I have your letter of January 20th  
enclosing your cheque for the correct  
amount for the Foch bronze medal. Thank  
you very much.

If you will send us the coins about  
which you write, we will be glad to do  
what we can to help you identify them..  
I hope that we shall be able to tell you  
that there are some rarities among them.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

SPN/E



CHARLES BORUM, JR.  
REAL ESTATE  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

March 23d, 1922.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,  
Secretary American Numismatic Soc.,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir-

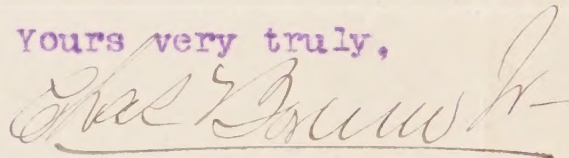
Under separate cover I am sending 33 old coins, as per your letter to me of January 24th, 1922.

Any information you may be able to give me will be greatly appreciated.

Am also enclosing fifty cents in stamps for return postage.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



205 Monticello Arcade Building,

Norfolk, Va.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Returned  
4/25/22  
Parcel post insured  
Rush

March 29th, 1922

Mr. Charles Borum, Jr.  
205 Monticello Arcade Building  
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Mr. Borum:

I beg to acknowledge the package containing  
the coins you sent to us for attribution. We hope  
to get at these shortly and return to you later.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E



April 25th, 1922

Charles Borum, Jr., Esq.  
204 W. Freemason Street  
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Mr. Borum:

I have sent you <sup>today</sup> by insured parcel post,  
the coins which you desired to have me attribute,  
and am returning herewith the stamps  
which you forwarded us ~~and~~ which were in excess  
of the amount due on the package.

Very truly yours,

Garner

HW/E

CHARLES BORUM, JR.,  
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AGENT.  
NORFOLK, VA.,

April 28th, 1922.

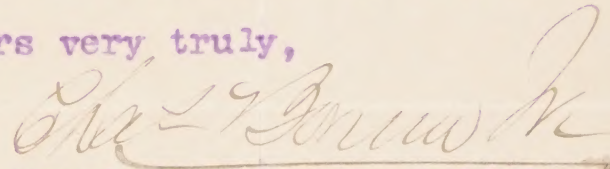
Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,  
American Numismatic Society,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir-

Your letter of April 25th and the package of coins received,  
for which please accept my thanks.

There are few of these coins in any condition, but if there  
are any in the lot which you care to have, I will be glad to send them  
to you as a token of appreciation for services so kindly rendered.

Yours very truly,



205 Monticello Arcade Building,

Norfolk, Va.

*Macedon Copper  
Roman Period  
Gold, Bronze  
Corrosolites*



May 4th, 1922

Mr. Charles Borum, Jr.  
205 Monticello Arcade Building  
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Mr. Borum:

Your letter of April 28th at hand, and I beg  
to thank you for your kind offer to let us have  
one or two of your coins.

At the time we attributed yours, there were  
two other very similar lots which we were working  
upon, and my memory is not wholly clear as to just  
what pieces were in your lot. If I remember right-  
ly, there was a copper coin of Macedonia of the Ro-  
man period and a bronze coin of Gaul from the Cu-  
riosolitis which we did not have.

I beg to thank you for your thought of us.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E

CHARLES BORUM, JR.  
REAL ESTATE  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

May 8th, 1922.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,  
The American Numismatic Society,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir-

Enclosed find the two coins as per your letter of May 4th.

I think I have read, just when or where I do not remember, that you are making a collection of broken bank bills. A year or two ago the president of a local bank sent me a lot of old paper money which he found in the effects of his father who had died. I looked the lot over very hurriedly at the time and do not remember much about it, but think most of the notes were issued by the City of Portsmouth, Va., and possibly by other towns of Virginia and North Carolina, by insurance companies, by banks in Virginia and North Carolina and a bank in Washington, D. C. None of the notes are in good condition, but I remember seeing one or two for one cent. They do not interest me particularly and if you think there may be any among them which you would like to have, will be glad to send the lot, which probably numbers several hundred, to you and you can keep such as you want and return the balance.

Yours very truly,

2 enclosures.

*Chas. Borum, Jr.*



May 10th, 1922

Charles Borum, Jr. Esq.  
218 Southside Arcade Building  
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Mr. Borum:

Your favour with the two coins at hand.  
On behalf of the Society, I beg to thank you  
for these two pieces.

We have always been greatly interested  
in paper money, and have several thousand  
varieties, but the field seems so large that  
we have very few pieces that come in duplicate  
which we already have. We should be very glad  
to have you send us the paper money about which  
you write, and I feel confident that we could use  
many of these.

Thanking you for your kind thought for our  
museum, I beg to remain

Very truly yours,

Curator

H.B./L

May 16th, 1922

Charles Borum, Jr. Esq.  
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Sir:

The package of paper money came yesterday and we have looked it over and found some interesting pieces. Unfortunately, most of the bills were so badly discolored that little can be done with them. It is a pity that they have been stored away in a damp spot for years.

I beg to thank you very much for the chance to look these over and take what we want.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/IE



CHARLES BORUM, JR.  
REAL ESTATE  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

January 27th, 1923.

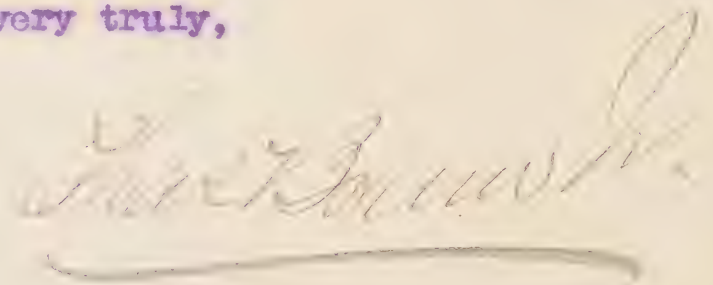
The American Numismatic Society,  
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen-

I have gotten from time to time quite an accumulation of coins which I am unable to identify. There are about a dozen old small Arabic, two or three Roman, one or two Byzantine and a few more modern.

While I do not want to impose on your kindness, several of them have aroused my curiosity and I shall be very glad to have your assistance. May I send them on for identification?

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Charles Borum, Jr.", with a long horizontal flourish underneath.

January 30th, 1923

Charles Borum, Jr. Esq.  
205 Monticello Arcade Building  
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Mr. Borum:

In reply to your favour of January 27th,  
go ahead and send on your coins and we will do  
our best to attribute them - that is the reason  
for our existence so do not have any hesitation  
to send pieces this now and then. We only draw  
the line at attributing too many pieces at once.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E



CHARLES BORUM, JR.  
REAL ESTATE  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

February 6th, 1923.

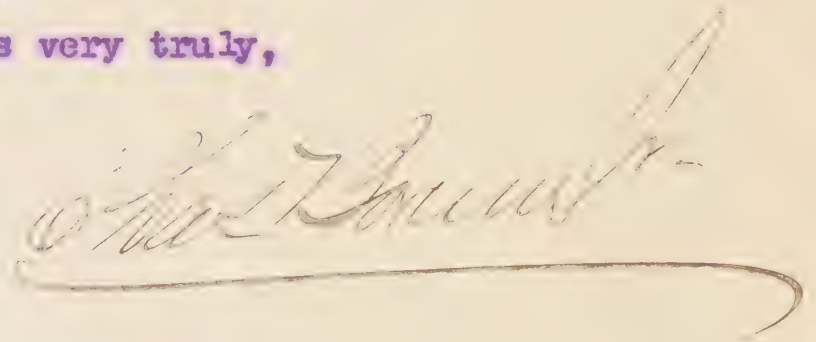
Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,  
The American Numismatic Soc.,  
New York.

Dear Sir-

Under separate cover I am sending you a package of coins for identification, as per your very kind letter of January 30th.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Charles Borum, Jr.", with a long, sweeping horizontal flourish extending to the right.

February 13th, 1923

Charles Borum, Jr. Esq.  
203 Monticello Arcade Building  
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Mr. Borum:

Your package of coins have come safely to hand.  
I shall be glad to identify them for you as soon as  
it is possible for me to get at them.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E



CHARLES BORUM, JR.,  
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AGENT.  
NORFOLK, VA.,

April 7th, 1923.

Mr. Howland Wood,  
Curator Am. Numismatic Soc.,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir-

If you will be kind enough to advise me when you mail me the package of coins sent you for identification on February 5th, I will thank you very much.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Charles Borum, Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

205 Monticello Arcade Building,

Norfolk, Va.

April 10th, 1923

Mr. Charles Borum, Jr.  
205 Monticello Arcade Building  
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Mr. Borum:

Replying to your letter of April 7th, I beg to apologize for the delay in returning your coins, but for nearly two months we have been completely swamped with dismantling our exhibition here and preparing for the Sculpture Exhibition which is to be held in all the buildings on our terrace. We shall, however, endeavour to get your coins back to you very shortly.

Regretting this delay, I am

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E

April 13th, 1923

Charles Borum, Esq.  
204 W. Freemason Street  
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Mr. Borum:

I am, herewith, returning your coins which I have now attributed, and trust that you will find everything satisfactory.

Again, I want to apologize for the delay in sending these back to you.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E



CHARLES BORUM, JR.  
REAL ESTATE  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

April 18th, 1923.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,  
The American Numismatic Society,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir-

Your two letters of recent date and the package of coins are received, for which please accept my thanks.

The delay has not inconvenienced me in the least. I have had a package or two go astray and I was afraid this one might have been lost: that was the only reason I wrote you.

Thanking you again, I am,

Yours very truly,



CHARLES BORUM, JR.  
REAL ESTATE  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

November 16th, 1924.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,  
C/o The American Numismatic Society,  
156th street, west of Broadway,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir-

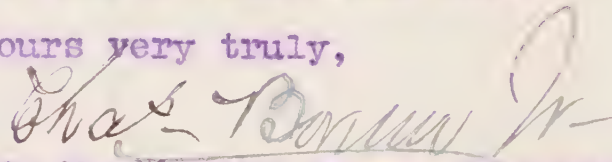
As per your letter of November 8th, I am taking the liberty  
of enclosing herewith two silver coins and five small bronze Roman  
coins.

Any information you give me will be appreciated.

Am also enclosing twenty cents in stamps for return postage  
and registration.

Have been to New York twice comparatively recently, but did  
not have the opportunity to call and thank you for your many courtesies,  
but hope to be able to do so the next time I visit your city.

Yours very truly,

  
205 Monticello Arcade Building,

Norfolk, Va.

Enclose 20¢ in 2 cent stamps.

November 22nd, 1924

Charles Borum, Jr., Esq.  
205 Monticello Arcade Building  
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Mr. Borum:

We are returning, herewith, the coins  
in the envelopes in which you sent them recently,  
and Mr. Wood has noted the information you  
desire in each case, I think.

I hope the next time you are in New York,  
it will be possible for you to give us the pleasure  
of greeting you.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Encs.



CHARLES BORUM, JR.,  
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AGENT.  
NORFOLK, VA.,

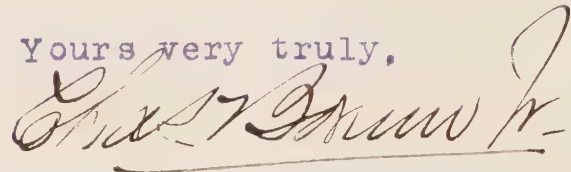
November 26th, 1924.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary.  
The American Numismatic Society,  
Broadway bet. 155th and 156th Streets,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Please accept my thanks for identifying the coins  
which have been received.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Charles Borum Jr." in a cursive script. The signature is written over a horizontal line.

205 Monticello Arcade Bldg.,  
Norfolk, Va.

CHARLES BORUM, JR.,  
REAL ESTATE,  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING,  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.

June 1st, 1925.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary,  
The American Numismatic Society,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir-

Am sending you by mail a package of old coins for identification, as per your very kind letter of May 25th.

Enclosed find stamps for return postage.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,

*Charles Borum, Jr.*

*return letter to Noe*

*13 of 26  
May 1925*

June 3, 1925

Charles Borum, Jr.  
205 Monticello Arcade Bldg.  
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Sir:

The package containing coins for attribution  
has been received.

We will get at these shortly and return them to  
you.

Very truly yours

HW C

Curator



July 16, 1925

Charles Borun, Jr.

205 Monticello Arcade Bldg.

Norfolk, Va.

Dear Sir:

I am sending off tomorrow the coins that you sent to us June first. The delay was caused because the one who attributes the ancient coins was away.

Very truly yours

HW C

Curator

CHARLES BORUM, JR.,  
REAL ESTATE,  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING,  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.

July 18th, 1925.

Mr. Howland Wood,  
Curator The Am. Numismatic Soc.,  
New York.

Dear Sir-

The package of coins, as per your letter of July 16th, is  
received, for which please accept my thanks.

Yours very truly,

*Charles Borum, Jr.*

CHARLES BORUM, JR.,  
REAL ESTATE,  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING,  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary

November 20th, 1925.

Am. Mus. Society, New York.

Dear Sir-

Enclosed find two coins as per your letter just received.

Although they are in very bad condition they have aroused my curiosity considerably and any information you give me will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Enclosure.

*Charles Borum Jr.*



CHARLES BORUM, JR.,  
REAL ESTATE,  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING,  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

February 16th, 1929.

The American Numismatic Society,  
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen-

Under separate cover I am sending you forty-four old coins for identification as per letter of December 18th, 1928, from your Mr. Noe. This is an accumulation of odds and ends of the past year or two and while I probably know some of them, would like to be certain as to what they are.

Any information you give will be greatly appreciated.

Enclosed I find twenty cents in stamps for return postage.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,



205 Monticello Arcade Building,  
Norfolk, Va.

March 18, 1929

Mr. Charles Borum, Jr.  
305-308 Monticello Arcade Bldg.  
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Mr. Borum:

We have at last attributed all of your  
coins, and I am having our men send them back.

I trust you will find everything satis-  
factory.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW:ENH

CHARLES BORUM, JR.,  
REAL ESTATE,  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING,  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

March 22d, 1929.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,  
The American Numismatic Society,  
Broadway, bet. 155th & 156th sts.,  
New York, N. Y.

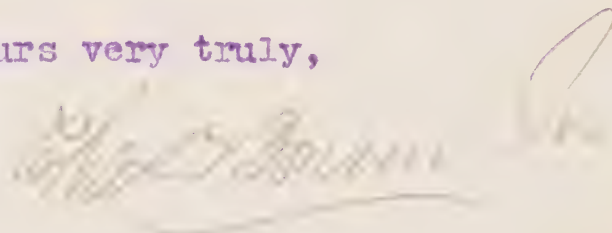
Dear Sir-

The package of coins is received. Please accept my sincerest  
thanks for identifying these coins for me.

The counterstamp on the Mexican dollar arouses my curiosity  
very much.

Thanking you again, I am,

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Charles Borum, Jr.", is written over a faint, horizontal wavy line. The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized.



CHARLES BORUM, JR.  
REAL ESTATE  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

January 1st, 1930.

American Numismatic Society,  
156th street at Broadway,  
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen-

As per your communication of a week or two ago, I sent you  
yesterday by registered mail for identification:

3 large bronze or brass medals or coins.

2 old silver religious German medals.

1 silver Chinese dollar.

2 smaller silver coins.

Any information you may give will be appreciated.

Enclosed find 38¢ in stamps for return mail and registration.

Yours very truly,

*Chas Borum Jr.*

205 Monticello Arcade Building,  
Norfolk, Va.

CHARLES BORUM, JR.  
REAL ESTATE  
205-206 MONTICELLO ARCADE BUILDING  
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

January 13th, 1930.

The American Numismatic Society,  
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen-

On December 31st, 1929, I sent you by registered mail a  
package of coins and medals for identification. Were they received?

Yours very truly,

*Charles Borum Jr.*

205 Monticello Arcade Bldg.,  
Norfolk, Va.



January 14, 1930

Mr. Charles Borum, Jr.  
205 Monticello Arcade Bldg  
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Sir:

I wish to apologize for not acknowledging the receipt of your package which arrived the first of the year. It came just at the height of our moving into the new building when everything was in confusion, and I put your package and letter into the vault for safe keeping, and it being out of sight, I neglected to acknowledge it.

Yours very truly,

Curator.



January 27, 1930

Mr. Charles Borum, Jr.  
205 Monticellow Arcade Bldg  
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Sir:

Your coins have been attributed and returned to  
you to-day, by registered mail.

Yours very truly,

Curator.